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In re Patent Application of )  
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For: LAMINATED PACKAGING MATERIAL )  
FOR PAPER CONTAINER )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Kindly replace Claims 1-6 as follows.*

1. (Amended) A packaging material for paper containers comprising at least a thermoplastic material outermost layer, a paper substrate layer, a barrier layer, and a thermoplastic material innermost layer laminated in such order,
- the thermoplastic material innermost layer containing at least a linear low density polyethylene which has a narrow molecular weight distribution and has an average density of 0.900-0.915, 88-103-degree C of a peak melting point, a melt flow index of 5-20, a swelling ratio of 1.4-1.6, and a layer thickness of 20-50-micrometer.